APPROVED

Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes of March 25, 2015 Meeting

Present: Ron Baker (Member at Large); Dexter Eddy (Housing Authority); Fred Goetz (ADA); Jennifer Hoskins, (Comm. on Aging); Lorraine Kenowski (Member at Large); Ethel Mantzaris (YSB), chair; Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM), Joan Terry (Senior Center Assn.)

Absent: Carol Norrish, (Mansfield Advocates for Children)

Staff: Pat Schneider, Director of Human Services

The chairman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The minutes from the January 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Ethel welcomed Jennifer Hoskins, a new committee member representing the Commission on Aging.

Staff – Pat reported that Cindy Dainton has resigned as Senior Center Supervisor and that the recruiting process for the position has begun. The Outreach Social Worker also resigned to accept a full-time position with benefits. Interviews for that position are scheduled for mid-April. The workload for the remaining social worker is very heavy.

Old Business – The letters that will raise money for camperships are ready to mail.

The town budget grant requests that this committee discussed at its last meeting have been submitted to the Town Manager for consideration.

New Business – Several Human Services programs may be jeopardy due to the lack of funding in the proposed state budget. The lowered PILOT funds and the increased costs for resident state troopers has a big effect on the Mansfield budget as well..

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Terry, Secretary

REMINDER - Remaining meeting dates for 2015 are May 27, September 30 and December 9 at 3:30 p.m.